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## REPORT TRUCE IS AGREED UPON IN UPPER SILESIA

**Armed Germans Attack French Garrison—Korfanty Demands Allies Issue Decision on Status of Upper Silesia Favorable to Poland—Ali Left Bank of Oder In Hands of Germans.**

London, May 11.—It is reported in Warsaw that Adelbert Korfanty, Polish commissioner in Upper Silesia and the Inter-Allied Commission have agreed upon a truce in Silesia pending a settlement of the trouble in that province, said a Central News dispatch from Warsaw today.

Armed Germans in Upper Silesia have attacked the French Garrison at Kreuzburg, according to an unconfirmed report received in Copenhagen, said an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen today. One French soldier was said to have been killed and three wounded.

Another dispatch from Copenhagen said that the Polish government has appointed Dr. Wolny to succeed Adelbert Korfanty as Polish commissioner in Upper Silesia.

A dispatch from Beuthen said that Korfanty had sent a communication to the allied demands that the railway zone of upper Silesia be placed under Polish administration and that the allies immediately issue a decision upon the status of upper Silesia favorable to Poland.

Practically all of the left bank of the Oder river now in the hands of Germans but they are short of arms and ammunition, said a Reuters dispatch to the Daily Express. The correspondent said that the Germans were receiving supplies and "would be able to take the offensive against the Poles on a large scale in a few days."

Throughout the action Dr. John P. White, Greenwald, has appeared extremely nervous upon the stand, while his wife is perfectly at ease and apparently free of confidence. She is fighting the case very inch of the way that she may keep her daughter, Mary Elizabeth, who has been with her since the case started in 1914.

When the testimony promises to be tainted the little girl is taken from the courtroom. White has tried to fasten an affidavit charge through Mr. Diller, but every assertion has been stoutly denied, including improper relations, cigarette smoking and drinking, and other foreign beverages. Efforts of Attorney Hackett of Cummings & Lockwood, Stamford, to dislodge her testimony have had little effect. Many parties from Greenwich, Portchester and Mt. Vernon, the latter Mrs. White's home, are attending the sessions.

**Think Big Fire  
In New London  
Was Incendiary**  
New London, Conn., May 11.—Fire which broke out late last night in the four story brick block occupied by the Fern & Son Furniture company, was controlled early today and practically confined to the building after causing a total loss estimated at \$50,000 to building and contents. The building for several hours was a roaring furnace and nearby buildings were saved with great difficulty. The fire, which broke out about 10 o'clock spread so quickly through the big structure that the firemen were convinced that it was of incendiary origin. But the origin is the subject of investigation today.

## LOCAL MEN ARE NAMED FOR OFFICES

Hartford, Conn., May 11.—Upon favorable report of the committee on charters Tuesday afternoon at the 123rd annual convention of the Grand Chapter of Connecticut, Royal Arch Masons, Masonic Temple, chapters were granted to Milford chapter of Milford, Gideon Welles chapter of East Hartford, Delta chapter of Manchester, and the four new chapters were given the numbers 49, 50, 51 and 52 in the order named.

The Grand Chapters voted that each chapter be allowed to continue making Royal Arch Masons until it was legally constituted, which will not take place until after the Masonic summer recess.

Grand High Priest Edgar B. Ellis of Bridgeport made the following appointments: Grand Chaplain, Rev. Samuel Sutcliffe, New Britain; Grand Master, Third Veil, Harry A. Day, Meriden; Grand Master Second Veil, Edward A. Klatte, Seymour; Grand Master First Veil, Colin S. Buell, New London; Grand Senior Steward, Lewis C. Hull, Torrington; Grand Junior Steward, George H. Woods, Bridgeport; Grand Sentinel, George A. Loomis, Hartford; Committee on Correspondence, George A. Kies, Hartford; Committee on Jurisprudence, Frank W. Beardsley, Shelton; Edward W. Avery, South Windham; Frank P. Tyler, New Haven; Committee on By-Laws, Stephen P. Goodsell, Winsted; George N. Delap, Hartford; Harry S. Pearsons, Bridgeport.

**WIRE TAPPING  
AND FORGERY IN  
STILLMAN CASE**

New York, May 11.—Wire tapping and forgery were injected into a Stillman divorce case today as additional "ammunition" for Mrs. "Pip" Potter Stillman in her counter action against her multimillionaire husband's suit for divorce.

Learned are prepared to show that her private telephone wire was tapped and that her name was forged to the receipt for a cablegram.

**HOLD FORTE  
FOR ASSAULT**

Louis Forte, of 273 Grand street, alleged automobile thief, whose case was scheduled for trial before the Superior court today, was arraigned in the City court this morning on a charge of assault. The case was continued until Saturday by Judge Frank L. Wither.

Forte was arrested some time ago in connection with a number of automobile robberies, and is said to have been the "master mind" of an auto stealing ring. He was bound over to the Superior court by both the Bridgeport and Fairfield courts, and furnished \$5,000 bonds for his appearance. The man is alleged to have beaten his wife last night, and was arrested upon her complaint.

## FINE SPIRIT SHOWN AT CONVENTION

**Davey Tells of Occurrences  
at State Convention of  
Knights of Columbus at  
Meriden.**

Grand Knight Peter Davey of Park City Council, Knights of Columbus, who attended the state convention of the order in Meriden on Monday and Tuesday, has returned from the convention, enthused by the results achieved. "The spirit of unity displayed throughout and the enthusiasm of the delegates was inspiring," said Mr. Davey to a "Times" representative this noon, "and from the constructive work the convention excelled any ever held by the order in this state. This section of the state honored by having our district deputy, P. L. Gerrity of Shelton chosen as one of the eight delegates to the supreme convention in San Francisco." Mr. Davey himself was chosen as alternate to Mr. Gerrity, but with characteristic modesty he did not mention this fact. Referring to the election of officers, Mr. Davey said that the order was in complete and experienced hands.

The most important action taken at the convention, Mr. Davey said, was the announcement by Supreme Director William J. Mulligan that the \$5,000,000 offered by the Knights to the American Legion and which was refused by that organization would positively be devoted to work among disabled soldiers, the details of which were given by the order. A resolution was adopted asking all members to use their best efforts to get their Senators and Congressmen to vote favorably on the resolution for the recognition of the Irish Republic when it comes before Congress. The following resolution introduced by the committee in good of the order was carried amidst a burst of enthusiasm which swept the entire auditorium:

"Resolved, That in their present glorious struggle for liberty, Irishmen command our highest admiration and have our strongest sympathy. We pray that they have our most ardent prayers for their speedy and final success."

"Resolved, That the government of the United States should acknowledge the independence of Ireland as a nation of freemen at the earliest possible moment."

"Resolved, That in the opinion of this meeting, the immediate acknowledgment of the independence of Ireland by our government is due from the American freedom of the world."

Copies of the resolution were sent to President Harding, Secretary of State Hughes and the Connecticut Senators and Congressmen. The convention proper adjourned at 5 o'clock and the concluding feature of the meeting was a banquet arranged by a committee of which Mr. Pullet of Meriden was chairman. The toastmaster was Hon. Thomas L. Reilly of Meriden, whose opening address was a masterpiece of sparkling wit and pithy wisdom. The speakers were Dr. William A. Keefe of the Supreme Court, and Alexander Johnson, Director William J. Mulligan.

The very fair viewpoint taken of a case by State's Attorney Homer S. Cummings, and the pleas made by Public Defender Robert DeForest and Judge John Couglin, saved Mary Mary Palmer of Bridgeport, on both of Keypoint, N. J., from a bad court record and a jail sentence. Both lads, barely past the age of maturity, have already served several weeks awaiting trial on a case that was the outcome of an unfortunate circumstance, in which they acted about as the average inexperienced small town lad would act.

They are in the fishing business, Johnson owning a boat, from which they catch flat fish, and sell from the docks. Such a visitation was made to Bridgeport, and while tied to a local dock two young girls of the flapper class. "The least said about them the better," said State's Attorney Homer S. Cummings, hung around the dock, and pestered the boys for a ride. They were taken for a sail, gave the lads thirty of opportunity to get fresh, and then they wanted to be taken ashore.

They were accommodated, but later came back late at night and insisted upon more entertainment. The offense was not proven by a physician who offered an affidavit in the case, and this, together with past reputation, caused Judge John M. Mulle to allow the boys their freedom. They both appeared very appreciative of the treatment they received at the hands of Connecticut justice, and the next young ladies who ask for a ride will probably receive a barrage of flat fish.

**ANOTHER COTTAGE BURNED**  
Milford, May 11.—Fire of undetermined origin destroyed the unoccupied cottage, said to be owned by Mrs. Mary Palmer of Bridgeport, on Seaview avenue, Myrtle Beach, with loss estimated at \$1,500. This is the third cottage burned in the Seaview beach within two weeks. The first occurring at Fort Trumbull Beach and the second at Pond Point. Fire Chief Lewis F. Stow is investigating.

## Compromise Hope To End Marine Strike Given Up

Washington, May 11.—All hope of a compromise ending of the marine strike has now been abandoned and it is to be a "survival of the fittest" according to W. S. Brown, head of the Marine Engineers' Association. All the members of the Engineers' Association, which has been negotiating here with Secretary of Labor Davis and Admiral W. E. Benson, chairman of the Shipping Board, have left Washington and are en route today and do not expect to return. Thomas B. Healy, representing the men, planned today to go before the House appropriations committee and lay the case of the men before members of Congress.

## WARNS SURGEON HE IS BOUND TO TAKE OWN LIFE

"I am going to commit suicide and you can't stop me," said Julius Goldstein, of 281 Stillman street, to the ambulance surgeon who was summoned this morning to the man's home. Goldstein tried a rather novel way to end his life. Attaching a short tube to the gas jet in the pantry, he stood on a chair, placed the tube in his mouth and turned on the gas. Overcome by the fumes he fell to the floor. His wife, who was tending the store under their apartment, heard the crash and rushed upstairs and found her husband lying on the floor. She immediately summoned Dr. Louis Simonson of Kossuth street, who called for the ambulance. On arrival Dr. B. J. Coyle of the Emergency hospital, found that due to Dr. Simonson's prompt treatment the victim was fully revived. When questioned as to his motive for suicide Goldstein stated that he didn't have to tell why he wanted to die. He was suffering from mental trouble, as about two months ago he was held up in his store by two robbers who during the struggle the lives of not less than 50,000 wounded men. Notwithstanding the fact that Madame Curie has devoted more than half of time to the cause of the poor, active substances, she is a comparatively poor woman and lives when at home at the Institut Curie in Paris. Some years later Professor Curie was struck by a wagon in Paris and killed. His widow succeeded to his property.

The discovery of radium enriched many persons throughout the world. It has been estimated that its use during the war saved the lives of not less than 50,000 wounded men. Notwithstanding the fact that Madame Curie has devoted more than half of time to the cause of the poor, active substances, she is a comparatively poor woman and lives when at home at the Institut Curie in Paris. Some years later Professor Curie was struck by a wagon in Paris and killed. His widow succeeded to his property.

**MADAME CURIE  
REACHES AMERICA**  
New York, May 11.—Madame Curie, eminent scientist and co-discoverer of radium, arrived in the United States today on the steamship Olympic which arrived in port this morning from Southampton and Cherbourg.

Madame Curie, whose discovery of radium in 1898 has been called "the realization of the dream of alchemists," was born in Poland, Nov. 7, 1867. Mrs. Curie received the Nobel prize for chemistry in 1903.

She married in 1896 Pierre Curie, professor of general physics in the University of Paris, who had shared with her the honor of collaboration in giving her the credit of the discovery of radium. Professor Curie was struck by a wagon in Paris and killed. His widow succeeded to his property.

**MORE MOTOR  
LAW VIOLATORS**  
Numerous automobile law violations continue to occupy the attention of the police. One of the latest was the case of Lester B. Wesley of 1389 Main street, who was arrested at the corner of Main and Congress streets today for driving a motor car without a license. He will appear in the City court tomorrow.

Albert E. Bortenshaw of 14 Smith street appeared on charges of violating the parking ordinance, and his case was nolleed on the payment of \$1. Two fines were also nolleed on the payment of \$1. One of the cases was that of George Kingston of Stratford, who was arraigned on a similar charge and his case was nolleed on the payment of \$1.

Charges against Paul Laignis of 1602 Main street, who was arrested for not having his automobile properly licensed, were nolleed on the payment of \$10. Leroy Nickerson of 1162 State street was charged with speeding and his case was continued until Saturday. Nickerson was arrested in Connecticut avenue yesterday.

**TO AUCTION  
OFF NORLAND**  
New Haven, Conn., May 11.—An order for their sale at auction having been issued by Judge E. S. Thomas of the federal court, Deputy U. S. Marshal Hayes said today that he would fix the date of sale of several vessels recently libelled, next week. These craft are the steamers Jennie R. Morse and E. A. Morse of the Morse Line and the ocean going tug Setter, all of New London, and the steamer Norland at Bridgeport which was in the Long Island Sound local service. The Isla De Luzon has been released from attachment. The vessels were libelled for claims brought against them.

## ALLIES OFFICIALLY NOTIFIED OF INTENT TO ACCEPT TERMS

**Germany Bows to Inevitable—France and Washington Deeply Satisfied With Decision—Act Is Reaffirmation of Versailles Pact—Will Start to Carry Out Terms of Pact at Once.**

London, May 11.—Herr Sthamer, German ambassador to England, called at Premier Lloyd-George's official residence at 10 Downing street, at noon today. It was understood that he officially notified the premier that Germany had accepted the Allied ultimatum.

By accepting the Allied ultimatum Germany must—  
1—Disarm at once all naval, air and military forces.  
2—Put war criminals on trial immediately.  
3—Begin the payment of \$32,750,000,000 indemnity within 25 days. The first payment is to be \$1,000,000,000 gold marks by June 1. Subsequently payments must be made at the rate of 2,000,000,000 gold marks annually. In addition Germany must pay an export tax of 25 per cent or equivalent. The German government must issue tax free bonds secured by the resources of the whole nation. These bonds will bear 5 per cent.

Immediate steps will be taken by Germany to begin fulfilling the Entente's demand it was declared. The new cabinet whose task it is to sign the ultimatum is of the same political complexion as that which accepted the Treaty of Versailles. Its chief members are:  
Chancellor and Foreign Minister—Dr. Wirth, a Centrist.  
Minister of Justice—Herr Schiffer, a Democrat.  
Minister of Labor—Herr Schmidt, a Socialist.  
Minister of Transportation—Gen. Groener, a Socialist-Democrat.  
Minister of Defense—Herr Gessler, a Democrat.

Vice Chancellor and Minister of the Treasury—Gustav Bauer, a specialist in the action of the Reichstag was received with varying emotions. The Industrials and the Bavarians opposed acceptance, but the leading Socialists conceded that it was the only thing that could be done under the circumstances. The chief argument of those who favored acceptance was that it would preclude further military action.

**End Of Federal  
Trolley Control  
Strongly Urged**

Hartford, May 11.—Approval of the recommendation of the Public Utilities Commission that the Connecticut Company be returned by the Federal government to its owners, the New Haven road, was expressed in a resolution adopted by the executive committee of the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce held in New Haven yesterday afternoon. The committee also urged that the State Attorney General be instructed to request the government to take the necessary steps for the return of the property, ending the control of the property by the Federal board of trustees.

**What Minister  
Thinks Of Movies**  
"The movies of 1921 look like 30 cents," said the Rev. William Horace Day, D. D., in a column in the New York Times. BEDELL, Times Feature Writer. Look for the story on the Amusement Page TOMORROW!

**LIGHT SENTENCES  
FOR AUTO THEFTS**  
Light sentences were imposed by Judge Maltbie in the Criminal Superior court when Louis Forte and John Reno, both of Fairfield received a jail sentence of one year on the first count, and six months each on a second and third count, for the theft and harboring of automobiles. A Ford was taken Dec. 29, last, an Oakland on Jan. 8, and another flyover on Jan. 20. Forte has failed rapidly since his arrest and Public Defender DeForest believed that a long jail sentence would kill him. Attorney George Mars presented a plea along the same lines for Reno, who was held equally to blame. The police are looking for an older man named Wicket, who believed the brains of the transactions.

**GETS \$15 FINE**  
Hugh Cunningham of 552 Broad street came down from Boston yesterday, and brought with him a load of liquor. Hugh was arrested last night for drunkenness, and fined \$15 in the City court today.

**SUBURBAN DAY**  
Old H. C. L. is going to stub his toe, hard, and right here in Bridgeport too, some day before the end of the present month. The Bridgeport Division of the Chamber of Commerce is planning a "Suburban Day" for this city which is being enthusiastically backed by the merchants.

The suburban day idea is a new idea (that's why Bridgeport has it) and a great bargain day when crowds of people from the surrounding towns will come into town to shop attracted by the reductions in prices offered by the merchants. Added to these will be the large number of people in Bridgeport who will also take advantage of the unusual opportunity to purchase goods of all kinds at a very reduced price.

Germany's acceptance of the ultimatum is a great national honor and all of the material resources of the confederated German states to pay the war bill is the most momentous event in international history in recent years. It is in effect a reaffirmation of the treaty of Versailles, for Germany not only promises to pay in full the reparations demanded by the allied powers, but also to meet obligations under the treaty that so far have been evaded. Under the terms of the ultimatum, Germany's war making powers are taken from her, she will be left with nothing but a police force; her war surplus is confiscated and for more than a quarter of a century she will be punished to the limit of her commercial, industrial and financial capacity to meet her financial obligations to the allies.

Washington, May 11.—Acceptance by Germany of the allied ultimatum figures was hailed with deep satisfaction by official Washington today. It was looked upon by high officials as complete vindication and justification of the policy which the administration has pursued in dealing with both sides in the troublesome situation. While Germany's acceptance of the ultimatum has solved the surface indication of having definitely solved an awkward problem, the difficulties yet confronting the new and untired government in Berlin are fully realized here. Born of inexperience and in the stress of a great national crisis the makeshift government headed by Dr. Wirth has yet to demonstrate its ability to carry the obligations it has undertaken in the opinion of officials here.

Paris, May 11.—"The French government is extremely satisfied with Germany's acceptance of the ultimatum, thus avoiding military occupation of Ruhr," said an official statement issued at the Foreign Office today.

"At the same time Germany assures France of the right to occupy the Ruhr in the future, if the Germans balk. The government feels that Germany's action, in large part, resulted from the conviction that the rest of the world was convinced of her ability to pay."

**SOLOWAY HELD  
IN BONDS OF \$150**

Sought by the police for some time as the result of an affair which is alleged to have occurred at a local hotel about a year ago, Joseph Soloway, of 63 Harrison street, was arrested at headquarters today, and was arrested on a technical charge of breach of the peace. He furnished bonds of \$150 to guarantee his appearance in the City court tomorrow.

In connection with this case, in which a man is said to have been tricked for his money, Captain John O'Connell of South Norwalk, yesterday and brought back Hazel Tuttle, of 14 Day street, South Norwalk, who is wanted as a material witness. The girl was locked up at police headquarters, but was later transferred to Hillside home where she is being held under \$100 bonds. It is reported that South Norwalk, known as "Nicky" Bell is also wanted as a witness.

It is probable that Soloway's case will be heard Saturday morning in the City court.

**NEWSPAPERMAN  
ISSUE CHALLENGE**

Members of the legal profession! Harken to the clarion call of Sport, Spring and Dave Price! Baseball time is here. The newspaperman has issued their annual deft. Dave Price has called first practice tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock on Diamond No. 7, Seaside Park. McGraw, Brennan, Flanagan, Price, Kinella, Hugh Lavery, Sr., Hugh Lavery, Jr., Kilpatrick, Goldstein, J. J. Cohn, W. John, Seaside Park. The newspapermen are eager for an afternoon of sport and recreation are asked to report. Don't fail!

**ASKS FORECLOSURE**  
Irving M. Austin of Portchester, N. Y., has filed a suit in Superior court against Margaret C. Hindley of Stamford, asking foreclosure and possession of valuable property located in Stamford at Main and Quintard avenues, known as Quintard terrace. It is claimed that the plaintiff was given a contract to remodel a house on the property, and it is alleged that \$8,000 worth of labor and materials were used and not paid for.

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